

Weather

Cloudy today. The maximum temperature yesterday was 59.4 and the minimum 47.9, the figures for the corresponding day last year being 40.7 and 28.

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GERMANS HEAR INDICTMENT BY FRENCH GENERAL

Fayolle Delivers Burning Address To Public On Entering Mayence

TALKS BLUNTLY

Says Germany Waged Most Cruel And Barbarous War In History

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Mainz, December 18.—A large silent crowd watched the entry of General Fayolle and General Mangin at the head of the French troops. When the march past was ended, General Fayolle and General Mangin rode to the Palace of the Duke of Hesse, where they received twenty leading inhabitants, including two ecclesiastics. The deputation was ranged in a semi-circle in the great hall of the palace. Three leading townsmen then stepped forward and in short speeches said that they were willing to work loyally under the French.

Armed Robbery, Not War
After their speeches had been translated, General Fayolle said, "I am going to say to you frankly what is in my mind." Then, for perhaps the first time in the course of the war, a distinguished Frenchman, talking face to face with the enemy, gave an incisive and candid review of their actions during the war and the world's opinion of them. He told them that the war which Germany forced upon the world was the most unjust and the most cruel ever known and was marked by refinements of barbarity which received world-wide condemnation. Germany, after violating Belgium, had ravaged and laid waste the northern provinces of France, destroyed villages after villages and had carried off to Germany linen, furniture, treasures, jewels and machinery. "That is not war," continued General Fayolle, "it is armed robbery. Today in France and Belgium thousands of families are homeless, their soil turned into a desert. That is the situation for which you remain responsible. You made of terrorism a system of war."

He added that he knew they feared reprisals for these crimes but they might rely on the traditions of France. "We cannot forget the evils you have done us but we will never make women and children responsible for them or destroy for the mere pleasure of doing damage. You need not fear for your persons or your goods if you loyally accept General Mangin's orders. Think yourselves happy to have in front of you a people who have been faithful to principles of justice."

General Fayolle spoke in French, which was interpreted.
Demobilization Of Germany
Paris, December 18.—Replying to an interpellation yesterday in the Chamber of Deputies as to the absence of any stipulation in the armistice terms concerning the demobilization of the German army, the Under-Secretary for War said that the guarantee provided by the armistice were considered adequate by the High Command. The question was purely a military one, affecting all the Allies.

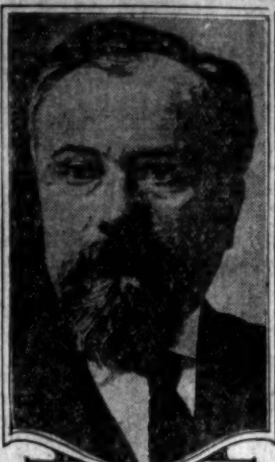
BAD WEATHER DELAYS RETURN OF U.S. NAVY

Legislation Proposed To Increase Its Permanent Enlisted Strength To 217,000

(American Wireless To Reuter) Washington, December 19.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—The Navy Department has been informed that bad weather has delayed the arrival of the American fleet in home waters from Europe.

Washington, December 19.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—Legislation has been proposed authorizing the increase of the permanent enlisted strength of the American Navy from 181,000 to 217,000. This would include 175,000 seamen and firemen, 12,000 in schools training and 6,000 in the Flying Corps.

Host To Allied Chiefs, President Of France



PRESIDENT POINCARÉ

SILVER PRICE FIXED

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 14.—The maximum price of silver has been fixed at 48-7/16 pence.

3,000,000 Killed, 1,000,000 Disabled, Russian Loss In War

Total Casualties Put At Awful Figure Of 8,000,000 By Officials In U.S.

(American Wireless To Reuter) Washington, December 19.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—It is announced here by Russian authorities that the Russian casualties were not less than 8,000,000, of which 3,000,000 were killed and 1,000,000 were disabled for life.

Romanones To Meet Allied Statesmen

Former Spanish Premier Going To Paris To Consult Entente Representatives

(French Wireless) Paris, December 19.—(via Lyons and Koukaza). According to a message from Madrid it has been officially announced that Count Romanones will shortly leave for Paris where he will call on President Wilson and confer with the leading statesmen of the Entente.

Wilson Asks Foch To Pay Visit To U.S.

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 18.—Marshal Foch called on President Wilson yesterday afternoon. President Wilson expressed the hope that Marshal Foch will be able to visit the United States.

COUNTER-REVOLUTION PLOTTED IN AUSTRIA

Archduke Max Nominated At Monarchist Meeting As Karl's Successor

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Copenhagen, December 17.—A message from Vienna states that a monarchist meeting, attended by several generals, nominated Archduke Max, brother of the ex-emperor, as Emperor Karl's successor. The Soviet is preparing the sharpest counter-measures.

French Mailer Sails For Constantinople

Messageries Maritimes Resumes Its Service From Marseilles To Near East

(French Wireless) Paris, December 19.—(via Lyons and Koukaza). A message from Marseilles says that the Messageries Maritimes s.s. Chili has just started on its first voyage to the Piræus and Constantinople with 856 passengers on board, including 214 French, 213 Greeks, 17 Servians, 20 Russians and 252 military details.

Decision To Be Given Today On Mr. Passeri's Application

Mr. Lucas And Bank Of China Manager Testify In Final Hearing

The hearing of the application of Mr. Gaspere Passeri, former liquidator of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank at Shanghai, for direction as to the amount of remuneration for his work in connection with the liquidation to be paid him by the Bureau of Liquidation of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank was concluded yesterday in the Mixed Court. The case was heard before Italian Assessor Ros and Magistrate Yu. The court sat all day and retired shortly before 6 o'clock in the evening. Judgment will be rendered this morning at 9 o'clock.

Mr. G. H. Wright appeared for the applicant, Mr. G. D. Musso represented the Bureau of Liquidation and Mr. R. F. C. Master watched the case on behalf of the Bank of China. When the case resumed hearing in the morning, the applicant took the stand and was cross-examined by Mr. Musso. Mr. S. E. Lucas, the present liquidator of the Bureau, was the only other witness called in the morning. In the afternoon session Mr. Sung Han-chang, manager of the Bank of China and co-liquidator of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank, testified on behalf of the bureau.

Negligence Is Charged
In asking for the dismissal of the case, Mr. Musso styled the claim as "that of a dreamer" and said that it was preposterous. He alleged negligence on the part of the applicant and said that it was lucky for him that he had an honest staff, otherwise serious results would have taken place, because, counsel asserted, Mr. Passeri did not go to his office and entrusted

the principal key to the premises to the German staff.

Counsel maintained that the claim had arisen from spite and that the action of Mr. Passeri was a case of ungratefulness to the Chinese Government, which had treated him fairly for the last five or six years. Mr. Musso said that all the trouble had been started because Mr. Passeri's agreement with the Chinese Government was not to be renewed and he was recalled to Peking from Shanghai, and that he would not have started the action unless for spite and revenge. Also, counsel stated, the trouble arose because Mr. Passeri had become unfriendly with Mr. Sung Han-chang, the co-liquidator. Quarrels hindered the progress of liquidation and the Peking Government decided to recall Mr. Passeri. Counsel asked that the application be dismissed.

Case For Mr. Passeri

Mr. Wright in summing up for the plaintiff and asking that his application be granted, said that diplomatic influence did not concern the Court and he preferred that the application be dealt with in accordance with the evidence adduced. He said that it was absurd to suppose that the action was brought on account of revenge, spite or malice and that it originated from a personal dispute.

The issues of the case were perfectly simple, counsel submitted. The first was whether or not Mr. Passeri had been appointed and had acted as liquidator. This was not disputed. The second and the

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COMMISSION TO RECKON BILL AGAINST GERMANY

Inter-Allied Body Also To Study Enemy's Powers To Pay

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Rome, December 16.—Speaking in the Chamber of Deputies, the Premier, Signor Orlando, stated that a commission presided over by a judge of the highest rank, had been appointed to assess the cost of damage done by the enemy. An inter-Allied commission would sit in London to centralise the work of ascertaining the amount of damage and to study the capabilities of the enemy powers for paying compensation.

Signor Orlando paid a warm tribute to Britain. He said that the war would not have been won if Britain had not ensured the Allies maritime commerce and blockaded the enemy and if she had not with traditional tenacity so bravely faced the submarine war and transformed her "contemptible little army" to use the Kaiser's phrase, into a formidable national army which had covered itself with glory in France, Italy, the Balkans and Asia Minor.

Paris, December 18.—More than ordinary importance is attached to today's news from Rome, reporting Signor Orlando's declaration that conditions do not yet permit of the demobilisation of the Italian army.

PLANE BOUND FOR INDIA REACHES PISA, DELAYED

Other Handley-Page, With Gen. Salmond, Lands At Calcutta

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 18.—The Handley-Page aeroplane, which General MacEwan is flying from London to India, has reached Pisa. It has been somewhat delayed owing to bad weather.

The Handley-Page machine, with Major-General Salmond on board, has landed at Calcutta.

Hog Island Shipyard Cost Three Million

(American Wireless To Reuter) Washington, December 19.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—It is estimated that the cost of the great government shipbuilding plant at Hog Island was \$3,300,000.

MILNER DEFENDS SENDING OF TROOPS TO RUSSIA

Necessary Because Bolsheviks Were Helping Germans' Fight Against Allies

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 18.—Lord Milner, replying to a correspondent, states that the Allied forces, of which the British formed only a small proportion, were sent to Russia because the Bolsheviks were assisting their enemies in every possible way. The Bolshevik action released hundreds of thousands of Germans for the Western front and caused Rumania to fall into German hands. Moreover, they handed over the Black Sea fleet to the Germans and treacherously attacked the Czechoslovaks, who were endeavoring to leave Russia to fight for their own country's freedom. Furthermore, it was necessary to protect the vast quantity of Allies' military stores at Archangel and Vladivostok.

The Allies' intervention proved successful. The Czechoslovaks were saved, the resources of Siberia and Southern Russia were denied the enemy, and the northern ports of European Russia were prevented from becoming German submarine bases, from which our North Sea barrage could be turned. These important achievements contributed materially to Germany's defeat. In the course of the Allied intervention thousands of Russians fought on the side of the Allies, and it would be an abominable betrayal to leave them to the tender mercies of their and our enemies, because our own immediate purposes had been served.

The Government, continued Lord Milner, does not desire to leave British troops in Russia a day longer than is necessary to discharge our moral obligations, which is also believed to be the guiding principle of all the Allies. Personally he thought that the time was not necessarily distant when withdrawal would be possible without disastrous consequences. If the Allies scrambled out of Russia immediately, the barbarism which at present reigns only in part of the country would almost certainly spread to the whole of Russia. The ultimate consequences of such a disaster could not be foreseen, but they would assuredly involve a far greater strain on the British Empire's resources than its present commitments.

Proposed Halo For The Kaiser



How the "All-Highest" should pay for his deeds and really become "All-Highest"

—The Bystander (London).

KING OF ITALY AND SON WELCOMED IN PARIS

To Be Guests At Dinner Of President And Madame Poincaré

(French Wireless) Paris, December 19.—(via Lyons and Koukaza). King Victor Emmanuel III, accompanied by his son, the Prince of Piedmont, arrived on Thursday afternoon at the Bois de Boulogne railway-station, where he was received by President Poincaré, the Presidents of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies and the members of the Government. Amid the cheering of the crowds lining the route, the cortege passed along the Avenue du Bois de Boulogne, the Avenue des Champs Elysees and the Place de la Concorde to the Palace of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which has been transformed into a royal residence during the stay of King Victor Emmanuel in Paris.

The President of the Republic and Madame Poincaré on Thursday evening will give a dinner in honor of the King of Italy and the Prince of Piedmont.

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 17.—The arrangements for the visit of the King of Italy to Paris next Thursday will be similar to those for the visits of King George and King Albert. King Victor Emmanuel will occupy apartments at the Quai d'Orsay. President Wilson will visit King Victor Emmanuel but will not take part in the festivities.

SITUATION IN PETROGRAD DESCRIBED AS GASTLY

Large Numbers Of Intellectuals Are Murdered Daily, Says Former Imperial Premier

(Reuter's Pacific Service) Harbin, December 19.—According to the Russian Telegraph Agency, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Omak Government has received information that Count Kokovtzeff, a former Prime Minister under the Imperial regime, managed to escape from Petrograd and to reach London. He describes the situation in Petrograd as ghastly. Large numbers of the intellectual class are murdered daily. There is an entire lack of food, and the streets are guarded by red guards and Chinese, impressed by the Bolsheviks. Count Kokovtzeff urges immediate Allied occupation of Petrograd and Moscow, and declares that if this is not done the inhabitants of both cities will perish.

CONGRESS OF SOVIETS EXCLUDES LIEBKNECHT

Meeting Place Surrounded By Followers In Angry Demonstration Afterward

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Amsterdam, December 17.—A message from Berlin states that the Imperial Congress of Soviets has opened in the Prussian Diet building. The tribune was draped and wreathed with red. Herr Elbert and other members of the Government were present. Herr Elbert appealed for unity. He declared that the Government would be regulated by Soviets until the National Assembly met. The Congress by a large majority decided to exclude Dr. Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg. Dr. Liebknecht and his followers angrily demonstrated outside the building and threatened to overthrow the National Assembly.

Copenhagen, December 17.—A strike is spreading in the Ruhr coalfields. 18,000 miners are now out and a serious shortage of coal is threatened. Fresh riots broke out in Dresden on Sunday. Five persons were killed and forty wounded.

VON SCHEUCH RESIGNS

(French Wireless) Bale, December 19.—(via Lyons and Koukaza). The Frankfurter Zeitung states that the Minister of War, General Scheuch, has resigned owing to a disagreement with the Committee of Workmen and Soldiers.

Basle, December 19.—(via Lyons and Koukaza). A message from Berlin states that the Food Supply Department of the War Office announces that a new inquiry shows that the food situation in Germany is better than that was said recently by the new government.

U-BOAT DEUTSCHLAND ARRIVES IN CHERBOURG

First Submarine To Cross Atlantic With Cargo Is In French Hands

(French Wireless) Paris, December 19.—(via Lyons and Koukaza). A message from Cherbourg says that five additional submarines, one being the Deutschland and the four others belonging to the U-boat class, have arrived in the port of Cherbourg.

Feminists Of France Demand Right To Vote

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 17.—Four great French feminist groups have demanded recognition of women's political rights before the next elections.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS PEACE ESSENTIAL, WILSON DECLARES

Absolutely Necessary To Prevent More Wars In Future, He Says

MAKES STATEMENT

President Will Dine With American Troops On Christmas Day

HAS CONFERENCES

Takes Up Important Issues With Clemenceau, Venizelos, General Pershing

(American Wireless To Reuter) Paris, December 19.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—President Wilson denied today a statement in the Paris edition of the Chicago Tribune that he had approved the plan of a League to Enforce Peace. He said: "I am, as everyone knows, not only in favor of a League of Nations but believe the formation of such a league to be absolutely indispensable to the maintenance of peace. But the particular plan of the League to Enforce Peace I have in no way endorsed."

Mr. Wilson has had to decline the invitation to dine in London Christmas Day, as he has fully planned to dine with the American troops in the field.

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 17.—President Wilson's official visit to Paris came to a close last night. The most extraordinary manifestations experienced within living memory occurred at the ceremony at the Hotel de Ville, constituting a grateful tribute to France's sister Republic whose aid assured victory to the Allied armies. President Wilson's speech at the Hotel de Ville was a denunciation of Germany's aggression and an emphatic endorsement of the French cause and a clear indication of the upity of the policy of the Allies and the United States. Americans are fully cognizant of the abominable methods of the Germans and of the cruel suffering they wretchedly inflicted by the infamous devastations of France and Belgium and the subjugation of right and liberty. Victory for Germany would have marked a period of peril for American independence. President Wilson was deeply touched by the warmth of his reception which he said he would always remember as one of the unique, inspiring experiences of his life.

The official entertainment having ended at the Hotel de Ville, President Wilson went to work yesterday afternoon and had three important conferences, one with M. Clemenceau at the War Office and others with M. Venizelos and General Pershing.

CHU CHI-CHIEN LEAVES FOR NANKING DEC. 29

Peking's Delegate To Peace Conference With South To Start On Mission

(Reuter's Pacific Service) Peking, December 20.—Mr. Chu Chi-chien, chief delegate to the peace conference between North and South, will leave for Nanking on December 29. Meanwhile, he and his staff will discuss peace terms with the Anfu Club and other political organizations in Peking.

It is reported that the Selyukal and other Japanese political organizations have telegraphed to the Northern and Southern leaders urging the necessity of concluding an early peace.

According to a Peking telegram last night, General Tsen Chun-huan, Dr. Wu Ting-fang and Admiral Ling Pao-yi have jointly informed Premier Chien Nung-huan that the Canton Government has authorized Dr. Wu Chao-chu to proceed to Shanghai for the purpose of negotiating for internal peace.

PRESS FOR REMISSION OF BOXER INDEMNITY

Organisations Will Ask Powers To Give Money For Educational Purposes

A movement has been launched by the leading universities in Peking and Nanking, the American Returned Students' Club in Shanghai and the Society for Constructive Endeavor for the remission of the Boxer indemnity by all the Powers to be used for educational purposes. Suggestions to utilize the funds for the construction of museums, municipal theaters, libraries, music halls, educational institutions and scholarships were made in a lengthy article circulated and signed by the organizations represented.

Some interesting facts were disclosed by the article. It says that while the annual national revenue of China is \$385,000,000, only one to one and a half percent is expended for educational purposes and from five to twelve percent for the payment of indemnities. From 1915 to 1932, China will have to pay yearly on that account the sum of \$15,243,800 and from 1933 to 1940 the sum of \$15,350,150.

Chung Hua Book Co. Has Annual Meeting

The Chung Hua Book Company, Ltd., held its annual general meeting yesterday at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Eleven directors and two auditors were elected for the ensuing year. Mr. Li Ping-shu presided. The directors elected were Dr. C. T. Wang, Mr. Tang Shao-yi, Mr. Fan Yuan-lin, Mr. Shi Ching-yin, Mr. Li Ping-shu, Mr. Li Ping-shu, Mr. Yu Chung-wei, Mr. Tai Mei-tai, Mr. Wang Yu-an, Mr. Hsu Koting and Mr. Lien Hui-ching. The auditors elected were Messrs. Wu Ching-yuan and Huang Yi-an. More than four hundred shareholders attended.

Moscow Trio Tonight

Tonight at the Lyceum Theater the Moscow Trio will give a farewell concert, giving to Shanghai music-lovers a last opportunity to hear this able and well-balanced combination. The program arranged contains some very good numbers, including works of Paganini, Goldmark, Sarasate, Rachmaninoff and Grieg, promising a profitable evening and deserving of a good audience.

The Moscow players have been contending with a good deal of hard luck on their present visit here, both by reason of the illness of the artists, necessitating postponements, and also on account of other attractions conflicting with their dates. The trio's abilities are well known to local music-lovers and it is to be hoped that these will avail themselves of the final opportunity of hearing its work.

China Endorses Jewish Movement For National Home

Local Zionist Body Receives Expression Of Accord From Peking Ministry

The move for a Jewish National Home in Palestine, endorsed by Great Britain last November, has also the sympathy of the Chinese Government, according to a statement received by the local Zionist Association from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Peking. The views of the Chinese Government on the subject were indicated by the Zionist Association last summer, Judge C. S. Lobingier, carrying the petition to Minister Reichel for transmission to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The message, dated at the Wahliapou, December 13, follows:

"Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 6, 1918, informing me that the English Zionist Federation, with which you are affiliated, was in receipt of a letter, dated December 2, 1917, from Mr. A. J. Balfour, British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in which he declared the sympathy of the British Government with the Zionist aspirations for the establishment in Palestine of a National Home for the Jewish people, and that you were anxious to enlist our sympathy.

"In reply, I have the honor to inform you that the Chinese Government has adopted the same attitude towards the Zionist aspirations as the British Government.

"I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

"For the Minister of Foreign Affairs, (Signed) Tchang Lou, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, in charge.

"E. S. Kacowicz, Esq., President, Shanghai Zionist Association, Shanghai."

In view of valued support rendered to the Zionist cause, the local Association has resolved to inscribe the names of Dr. Eldon R. James, American Legal Adviser to the Royal Siamese Government, Bangkok, and Dr. Paul S. Reisch, the American Minister in Peking, in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund.

Lecture On Czechs Heard By B.W.W.A.

Talk By Mrs. Ayscough Follows Exhibition Of Siberian Garments And Tea

Over 200 people attended the British Women's Work Association general meeting yesterday afternoon and signed the roll of membership. The meeting was held at the office of Messrs. Maitland and Company, Ltd., Eschuen Road, which were attractively decorated with Allied flags.

Various garments, to be sent to Siberia, were on exhibition in the room; tea was served, and Mrs. Florence Ayscough delivered an illustrated lecture on the Czechs-Slovaks.

Mr. A. G. Stephen presided and Mrs. D. L. Bryson and Mr. Dingle favored with vocal selections. Mrs. Bryson sang "When Song is Sweet" and "God Send You Back to Me," while Mr. Dingle sang "The Deathless Heroes."

Mrs. Ayscough delivered an instructive history on the Czechs from the entrance into Bohemia in the fifth century to the election of Thomas Masaryk as president of the new Czech Republic. The speaker termed the Czechs "the nucleus of the Allied position in Russia, which, peace or no peace, must be dealt with."

"At present the Czechs are protecting the main platinum supply of the world and they stand between Germany and the cotton districts of Southern Russia," said Mrs. Ayscough as she pleaded for interest in the restoration of Russia.

ANTI-OPIUM CRUSADE SPREADING IN NORTH

Article On Japanese Traffic In Morphia And Opium Creates Discussion

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, December 20.—The article in the North China Daily News of December 17 on the subject of Japanese traffic in morphia and opium in China has created widespread discussion in North China. Tientsin is now taking up the anti-opium question, and the crusade is rapidly extending to other centers, thus strengthening the hands of the President, whose attitude in favor of the firm suppression of opium cultivation and traffic is thoroughly recognized in the North.

NO BRITISH SHIPPING TO CARRY EMIGRANTS

Vessels To Be Needed For Other Purposes Till Next Autumn

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 18.—The Press Bureau states that in view of the general shipping situation and repatriation of various expeditionary forces and dependents, little or no shipping will be available for emigrant traffic before next autumn at the earliest.

EVERY FRENCH SOLDIER TO BE GIVEN A HELMET

All Combatants To Have Inscribed Souvenir Of Their Service

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 18.—M. Clemenceau has issued a decree providing that every officer and man of combatant units of the French army shall be given a helmet as a souvenir of his services, inscribed with the man's name and rank.

Mackensen Protests Against Internment

Objects To Action Of Rumanian Government In Stopping His Rearguard

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Budapest, December 17.—General Mackensen, when informed that the rearwards of his army in Transylvania, numbering 2,000 men and 150 officers, had been disarmed and interned by Rumanian troops, lodged a protest with the Budapest government.

Allowance Of Sugar Increased In France

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 18.—The sugar allowance in France will shortly be increased to one and a half pounds per person per month.

Joffre Makes Speech At French Academy

Presidents Poincare And Wilson In Audience That Hears Marshal

(French Wireless)

Paris, December 18.—(via Lyons and Koukasa). Marshal Joffre was received on Thursday afternoon at the French Academy and delivered a speech which was received with great applause. M. Jean Biechepin replied. President Poincare and President Wilson were present.

MR. WAYNE WRITES BOOK ON RAILWAY TRAFFIC

"Railway Traffic Management," by Mr. G. G. L. Wayne, traffic manager of the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo Railways, a series of articles on railway management translated into Chinese, has been published by the Commercial Press and is for sale at one dollar.

The book, after tracing the historical development of railways, treats of the relations of the employer and employee. Chapters are devoted to a detailed description of the several methods of working single-line railways, duties of the staff and the organization of a traffic department. The book will shortly be followed by "Elements of Railway Operating Economics." Mr. Wayne has had 20 years of practical and commercial experience on railroads in the British Isles and has recently been appointed a member of the commission on Railway Technics by the Ministry of Communications.

Cotton Committee In U.S. Disbanded

Government-Fixed Maximum Prices Also Will Expire At End Of Month

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Washington, December 14.—The resignation is announced of the Cotton Distribution Committee of the War Trade Board and the revocation of all its regulations. The War Industries Board will also allow the maximum prices placed on cotton fabrics to expire on December 31.

ALICE'S STEPBROTHER POPS UP IN U.S. COURT

Tokio, South America, Barbados All In Twinkle: As A Babe He Played The Violin

Presenting Mr. John Morgan, of Alabama, South America. Or, if you prefer, Billy Brown, of Memphis, Tennessee. Also, Mr. William Jones, of the Barbados Islands. All of whom are really one individual.

The monster of these various titles and native places is a negro who has been knocking about Shanghai for some weeks without any tangible means of support and who wound up in consequence in the United States Consular Court before Consul R. P. Tenney yesterday on a charge of vagrancy, having claimed American citizenship. Several witnesses familiar with the characteristics of the American negro, including Mr. Frank Augustine of the Carlton orchestra, were called and after examining the prisoner were emphatic in the declaration that he bore none of the earmarks. Morgan in his own testimony gave every indication of being as familiar with the United States of America, its people and geographical characteristics as Mr. George W. Ulysses or any other traveler of that period B.C. Therefore he was discharged from the court as being not an American citizen.

The first spot Morgan decided to allow to claim him as a native son was Alabama, state of South Carolina. This was a revolutionary change in state geography as the court had studied it and the prisoner was pressed for details. He allowed that he was born in the southern part of Alabama and added that it was a part of South America.

The court asked if the witness could tell something about Alabama. "No," said Morgan regretfully. "I left there when I was a very small boy."

"What did you do while you were in Alabama?" asked Mr. Tenney.

"I was cornet player in an orchestra," replied Morgan. At this juncture the witness recalled that it was not Alabama but Memphis, Tenn., which had been his birthplace. The family had lived there for years, both his parents having been born there. He could not remember ever having seen the place, but explained that he left there in 1893.

Morgan said he came here from Tokio. The story of his trip to the

East contained several novelties. He had sailed from New York for Liverpool with an opera company of fifty-five people, he said. They went to Paris. He started back alone, crossed America alone and sailed for Honolulu. His story from the date of sailing included the opera company, picked up unaccountably somewhere.

"What port did you sail from for Honolulu?" "Seattle."

The only other discrepancy in the witness' story was the statement that he had also been born in the Barbados.

Morgan speaks French and German fluently. It was not brought out whether his knowledge of these countries is as comprehensive as his information regarding the U. S.

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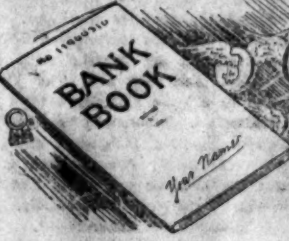
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North Would Call It Reorganization Conference And South Peace Conference

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Peking, December 14.—There are many cross currents in the political world, most of them sweeping round the coming Chinese Peace Conference, or its organization conference, as the North would prefer to call it. Just as the present moment, the waters are greatly troubled by a telegram that the Government has received through General Li at Nanjing, in which the Southern leaders make certain demands with which the North finds it very difficult to comply. The demands are eight in all, but the vital points are that the North shall recognize the South as a separate legal entity, with a status precisely the same as that of the Northern Government, and that the Conference shall be called a Peace Conference and not a Reorganization Conference.

The Southern implication is that the whole position is the same as it was in 1912, when Imperialist Representatives met Republican Representatives at Shanghai. The South claims that it is as much a legal entity as the North is, and that there has been real war between the two sides the conference is a conference for the settlement of the terms of peace, and therefore a Peace Conference. The Northern contention is that the question of peace is already settled. Both sides have agreed to cease hostilities, and therefore the conference is simply a conference at which there shall be a re-organization of the relations between North and South. There is no question of principle involved. It is not a case of Imperialist versus Republican, but simply of methods of application of Republican principles. The North is willing to admit perfect equality in the conference itself, but is hardly likely to recognize the Canton Military Government as a free and independent Government; and it is able to support this view by explicit reference to the fact that though the Canton Government has made formal application to Washington for recognition as a belligerent it has not succeeded in its efforts, and this contention is supported by the fact that the Foreign Powers have more than once clearly indicated that they regard the Peking Government as the lawful Government of China.

Independent observers are inclined to think that the Canton Government will get its own way in this matter. The Peking Government probably feels that in view of the recent aide-memoire it must concede all it can, for if by failure to concede it prevents a settlement, then it will be in a sense responsible to the Powers for the failure. On the other hand, the Canton Government probably realizes that this sense of compulsion under which the Peking authorities are laboring should serve Canton extremely well in pressing its demands, and Canton may use this pressure indirectly for its own purpose. At the same time it is greatly hoped, by independent sections here, that Canton will not ask for too much, or the factions, who are momentarily very subdued, though seldom, may break out again and defy the Government and restore the chaos that has existed for months. The prime need of China at this moment is peace, and the general hope is that neither North nor South will do anything that might risk the maintenance of peace.

News Briefs

The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Christmas day and the day following.

At the meeting of the Social Charity Fund held at 29 North Suzhou Road, Thursday, the contributors to the fund decided to distribute the sum of \$890 toward the Christmas Fund of the following societies: Charity League, King's Daughters' Society, Portuguese Ladies' Benevolent Society, Shanghai Ladies' Benevolent Society and Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

The Rev. James B. Webster, Professor of Education and Religious Pedagogy, Shanghai Baptist College, will speak on "The Abundant Life in China," Sunday, at 5 p.m. in the Martyn Memorial Hall, 120 Szechuen Road, under the auspices of the Sunday

Service League. A special program of Christmas music will be given.

A Hongkong girl paying a visit in Canton, lodging in one of the Bund hotels here, says the Canton Times been kidnapped in one of the East Bund restaurants. A heavy ransom is asked.

Plans for joint action for protection against piracy were discussed by magistrates of seven cities in the neighborhood of Shanghai at a meeting held in the Yamen of Taoyin Wang Kung-tung yesterday. The administrative officers decided that the best plan would be to organize for concerted action against pirates instead of each jurisdiction trying to curb them individually.

The notorious Shantung bandit, Foo Tse-ming, and his nine accomplices, arrested Thursday by Settlement police in Frenchtown, were formally charged yesterday in the French Mixed Court with committing an armed robbery in the International Settlement. The Court ordered that the accused be handed over to the International Mixed Court. The prisoners denied that they were guilty.

Count Ahlfeldt Laurvig, Danish Minister to China, and the Countess, are at present in Shanghai, stopping with Mr. T. Rasmussen, Danish Consul-General. They will sail for Japan tomorrow.

The French Municipal School will hold its annual prize distribution at the Cercle Sportif Français this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The Order of a Member of the British Empire was presented to Mr. G. S. Moss of the British Consulate at Tientsin last week in recognition of his work at Weihaiwei in connection with war duties. Consul Pratt, representing the British Minister, made the presentation. A large gathering of the British community gathered at the new Consulate to witness the ceremony.

Six sailings of Pacific Mail Steamship Company liners to the United States are completely booked in advance. All berths on the steamers, including the sailing of June 21, are sold and unless cancellations are made no further accommodations will be available. The local agents are carrying waiting lists of Shanghai people desirous of traveling to San Francisco.

Mr. Roy Anderson of Peking arrived in Shanghai yesterday.

Miss Grace L. Coppock, National General Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association, will leave for Tientsin and Peking tonight for an inspection of local associations. Miss Coppock will act as executive at the annual conference of Non-Mission Schools at Peking, December 28 to January 2.

American import restrictions have been removed from shelled walnuts according to telegraphic advices received by the United States Consulate-General yesterday. Since considerable misapprehension on the point seems to prevail among exporters and importers here, it is pointed out that the removal of restrictions by the United States Government does not in any case mean that licenses need no longer be secured. All shipments, of whatever character, must be covered by license.

We have been favored with a seasonable offering of Sullivan's Christmas Candles and have found them better than ever. They are just the thing for the little ones, the fair ones, and—the mere man.

Decision Today In Mr. Passeri's Case

(Continued from Page 1)

only other issue was how much remuneration was he entitled to get as such. The question of remuneration was raised as early as September, 1917, and the formal demand was made in December, 1917. His client had not brought up the question before, because a liquidator has no reason to raise the question until the liquidation is concluded.

Mr. Wright branded the attitude of the Government as entirely ungenerous and said that the administration had treated a loyal servant unfairly and was attempting to misinterpret various documents to deprive him of a remuneration that he was justly entitled to.

The facts of the case, Mr. Wright said, were clear to him. The Government wanted to wind up the affairs

of the German Bank. The Ministry of Finance was asked to handle the matter, and it appointed quite naturally a banker to supervise the work. It appointed Mr. Wang Kuoming, who was the governor of the Bank of China. Now Wang Kuoming was working under the instructions of the Ministry of Finance, so the Bureau of Liquidation was created by the Ministry. The Bank of China, counsel submitted, was not liquidator. If so, why were not the reports of the local bureaus submitted to the Bank of China, but to the Central Bureau, which was created by the Ministry of Finance. Moreover, the name of the Bank of China never appeared in any of the documents introduced as evidence.

Relation To Bank Of China

It was distinctly stated in one of the letters produced that it was for the purpose of convenience that the bureau was established in the Bank of China. It was true, counsel said, that the Governor of the Bank of China appointed the applicant, but this was because Mr. Wang himself had been asked to supervise the liquidation and he carried the bureau with him in his yamen. It was a personal appointment. If the Bank of China was the liquidator, the alteration of the Governor would have made no difference and the bank would have continued as liquidator, whereas in the present case, when Mr. Wang was appointed Minister of Finance, he moved the bureau of liquidation to his yamen.

In answering Mr. Mueser's contention that Mr. Passeri was working for the Bank of China and not as liquidator and that he was working in a clerical capacity, Mr. Wright stated that the fact remains that Mr. Passeri was appointed liquidator. His power might have been limited. Counsel submitted that the letter written by the applicant in September, 1917, to Mr. Wang Kuoming reserving his right to claim remuneration as liquidator of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank was conclusive. Mr. Wang did not reply because he agreed to the contents, otherwise he would have written back.

Mr. Wright said that the rate of commission in such cases in Hongkong was fixed at 25 percent. His client claimed four percent because the work was different. He worked for the Bureau as well as for the Bank of China. He wanted an independent witness to fix the rate, so accordingly Mr. Norman Thomson, the chartered accountant, was asked to testify and he placed the proper amount at four percent.

Mr. Lucas Is Witness

Mr. Lucas in the witness box stated that he had been a banker of 20 years' experience and took over the co-liquidatorship of the German Bank on November 26. He received no commission, only received \$500 a month besides his salary. Witness remembered particularly when he became co-liquidator that he took over from the German cashier a key to a vault containing several valuable articles and documents, and he was hooked. Witness added that he had received the key to the big safe in the manager's room from Mr. Fiege, the German manager, through one of his assistants. In this safe witness found title deeds, securities and duplicate keys of the bank in envelopes.

In the opinion of the witness the liquidation of the bank was con-

ducted in a very slack manner. The German cashier who was dismissed by Mr. Passeri took away with him the key to one of the vaults containing many valuables, including assigned notes, whose value amounted to a million and half dollars. Witness did not consider himself as an independent liquidator. He was under orders of the bureau of liquidation in Peking.

Bank Of China Manager Testifies

Mr. Sung Han-chang stated that he had been the manager of the Shanghai office of the Bank of China since its establishment seven years ago. He was co-liquidator for the Deutsche Asiatische Bank. When the German Bank was ordered to be liquidated, he and Mr. P. M. Sah, then Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, took over the affairs of the bank while Mr. Passeri was in Peking. He was appointed by the Governor and Vice-Governor of the Bank of China and received \$200 extra for remuneration. He did not claim any percentage for remuneration on the liquidation work, because he did not think that it was proper to receive further compensation, as he already was in the employ of the Bank of China.

Witness stated that Mr. Passeri was apparently satisfied with his allowance of \$1,000 per month up to the time when Dr. Morrison, the Adviser to the Chinese Government, arrived in Shanghai. One day Dr. Morrison came to the office of the bureau and witness saw Mr. Passeri show him the books of the German bank. On the following day, witness said, an article entitled the "German Bank Scandal" appeared in the North China Daily News and a few days later witness was sent for by Mr. Pearce, who told him to go and see the British Consul-General, Sir Everard Fraser. Sir Everard informed witness that Mr. Passeri had told him that Mr. Sung had obstructed the liquidation work and was pro-German. Witness made certain remonstrations to Mr. Passeri and the latter had acted disagreeably to him ever since.

Witness bluntly branded as "non-sense" the allegation that he had the key to the safe of the bank on his person and later placed it in the safe.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wright, witness asserted that he went to the office once every day, except when he was sick and had to be kept away from his office for six months. During his absence, witness said, the assistant-manager, Mr. Yen, took charge of the bank.



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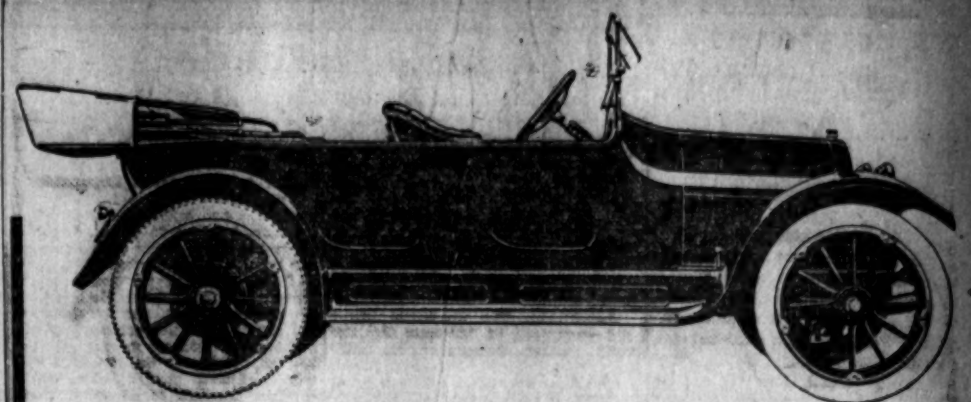
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BOLSHEVIKI DEFEATED ON SEVERAL FRONTS

Socialist Members Of Ufa Committee Are Captured In Rout Near Perm

(Reuter's Pacific Service).
Peking, December 20.—Official telegrams from Omsk report that a Russian force defeated the Bolsheviks and drove them back in the region of Perm, capturing the extreme Socialist members of the Ufa Committee. Tcherashin, however, escaped.

Vladivostok, December 19.—A message from Chelabinsk dated December 15, confirms that several thousand Russian ex-prisoners of war from Germany, provoked by the treatment they received at the hands of the Bolsheviks at Pensa, overthrew the Soviet there and are now marching on Siberia.

From other sources it is reported that the Bolshevik red guards are hostile to the returning Russian prisoners of war.

A message from Omsk dated December 18 states that as a result of successful operations in the Kuchinsky and Kungursky districts, in which Ekaterinburg was used as a base, the Bolsheviks are evacuating Perm. In some of the engagements in these zones the Czech-Slovak advanced to the attack against the Bolsheviks, who were supported by Magyars and Tartars, knee-deep in snow. There were bitter hand-to-hand struggles in which hand grenades were used by both sides.

The enemy was finally dispersed into the surrounding woods but was unable to endure the severe cold and came voluntarily to the Czech lines and surrendered in large bodies. A criminal suit has been filed by the chief executive officer of General Horvath's administration against the Mayor of Vladivostok and the president of the Zemstvo for alleged abuse of authority.

'XMAS PROGRAM TONIGHT AT CANTONESE CHURCH

Benefit Entertainment To Be Given In Aid Of Institution For Blind

An elaborate program has been arranged for the Christmas benefit entertainment to be given this evening in the Cantonese Union Church, North Szechuen Road Extension, in aid of the Institution for the Chinese Blind and the Yunnan Missionary Society. The entertainment is being given under the auspices of the choir and the English Bible Class of the Church and Dr. P. H. Lo, former Commissioner of Foreign Affairs for Kwangtung Province, is patron.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be as follows:

- 1—Overture...
- 2—Opening remarks...
- 3—Christmas Carol...
- 4—Piano Solo...
- 5—Vocal Solo...
- 6—Double Quartet...
- 7—Violin Solo...
- 8—Vocal Solo...
- 9—Physical Demonstration...
- 10—Selection...
- 11—Exhibition of Work...
- 12—Quartet...
- 13—Selected Impromptus...
- 14—Violin Solo...
- 15—Indian Club Exhibition...
- 16—Vocal Solo...
- 17—Conjuring and Magic...
- 18—National Anthem.

N.Y.K. Pays 60 Percent

A total dividend of 60 percent for the term ending September 30 was paid by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the financial year just ended, according to its report just issued. In addition to the regular dividend of 10 percent an extra dividend of fifty percent was declared. The net profit was Yen 53,691,467. A special reserve of Yen 20,000,000 to cover war risk and depreciation of vessels to be built or purchased was set aside.

Alma Estates Has Meeting

The ninth annual general meeting of the Alma Estates, Ltd., was held yesterday at the office of the secretary, Mr. E. T. Byrne, occupied the chair and there were present Messrs. N. G. Maitland, R. S. Ivy and J. H. Osborne, directors, and shareholders representing 14,978 shares. Following the reading of the notice convening the meeting and the auditor's report, the chairman said:

Gentlemen: The directors' report and statement of accounts for the year ending September 30, 1918, have been in your hands for some days and with your permission I will take them as read.

When I last addressed you, I pointed out that the future was none too encouraging and I regret to say my anticipation of a decline in the price of rubber was verified and it has been as low as 40 cents, but I hope the recent recovery will be maintained and exceeded.

Now that peace is assured we naturally look to an improvement in the price of rubber which is one of the few articles that have declined during the war and we certainly should expect an increased export to America as well as a renewal of trade with those nations that have been depleted of stock by the Allied embargo.

On the other hand stocks in the Straits Settlement and other producing countries are very much higher than the market has been accustomed to, and will probably be a strong brake against any fancy rise in prices for some time to come.

Turning to the report the most satisfactory feature is the further reduction in cost of production—excluding war tax, 31.85 cents against 35.40 cents, F.O.B. last year. These figures compare very favorably with other estates and with an increased production this year we may possibly look for even better results.

The net profit for the financial year under review, amounting to Tael 34,323.44, is disappointing especially in view of our production

having increased from 223,703 lbs. last year to 332,000 lbs. this year, but unfortunately the lower price of rubber and higher rate of exchange render a better result impossible.

From what I have already said you will not anticipate that your directors propose to pay a dividend as we naturally desire to hold on to the liquid assets amounting to Tael 34,323.72 until the position becomes clearer and more favorable but with low costs and hard cash we can view the future with perfect confidence.

I have no doubt you will approve of this policy of the directors and later on I shall forward a resolution to carry forward this sum of Tael 34,323.72.

As regards the estate, I have nothing to add to the very comprehensive report in your hands which is a testimony of the zeal of our secretaries as well as of hard work by Mr. Sparkle and his assistants.

From a letter recently received we believe Mr. Sparkle will not be required to join up in India as he intended but will be able to take home leave, the arrangement with Mr. Woodmansee will therefore hold good.

Before putting the various resolutions before the meeting, I shall be pleased to answer any questions to the best of my ability.

The following resolutions were passed:

That the report and accounts for the year ending September 30, 1918, as presented; and the disposal of the balance at credit of profit and loss account as recommended, be adopted and passed. Proposed by Mr. E. T. Byrne and seconded by Mr. J. H. Osborne.

That Mr. E. T. Byrne be re-elected a director of the company. Proposed by Mr. R. S. Ivy and seconded by Mr. N. G. Maitland.

That Messrs. G. H. and N. Thomson be re-elected auditors of the company for the ensuing year at a fee of Tael 150.00. Proposed by Mr. E. T. Byrne and seconded by Mr. N. G. Maitland.

Samagaga Rubber Co. Meets

At the eighth annual general meeting of the Samagaga Rubber Co., Ltd., held yesterday afternoon Mr. L. J. Cubitt occupied the chair, supported by Mr. A. Hilde and Mr. G. Grayridge, directors, and shareholders representing 104,450 shares. Following the reading of the notice convening the meeting and the auditor's report the chairman said:

Gentlemen, with your permission I will take as read the report and accounts for the year ended September 30 last.

When I addressed you last year the first signs of the difficult period in the rubber industry had begun to show themselves and this company was the first to provide against the unforeseen by withholding the proposed dividend at the eleventh hour, although it could have been paid out of cash in hand after placing Tael 10,000 to Reserve. The support given by the shareholders on that occasion was much appreciated by the directors and I stated that should the money not be needed to supplement the revenue and the obscure situation be cleared up it would be available for distribution later on.

That was the position at this time last year. No remittances to the estate have been made and there has been no distribution of profits in the meantime, as you know, but I think you will agree that your directors are not unduly cautious in continuing to carry forward an amount of cash sufficient though it be to provide a 5 percent dividend and still leave a balance in hand. The cessation of hostilities which we hail with so much relief and gratitude has already had a marked effect on prices, and the withdrawal of the restrictions on imports into

the United States is another satisfactory feature, nevertheless there are heavy stocks in the hands of dealers and speculators, shipping facilities will be limited for some time, and until the Peace terms are settled it is impossible to say to what extent the former European markets will be open to producers.

The directors always endeavor to embody in the annual report all the information required to understand the condition and progress of the estate as well as the financial position of the company, rather than to save such particulars to be disclosed at the annual meeting. There is consequently very little if anything to be said on this occasion.

You may remember that on the recommendation of the mycologist it was decided to apply to the government for a permit to plant up some of the coconut fields with rubber. The change of cultivation has been sanctioned but at present has not been acted upon, partly for financial reasons and partly because labor is by no means plentiful. During the current year it is hoped that a beginning may be made.

You will notice that the number of trees per acre is being gradually reduced. The effect for the time being is a reduction in the yield per acre; it is anticipated, however, that the benefit to be derived by the admission of more light and air will

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The amount of estate and development account in the balance sheet represents about Tael 420 per cultivated acre of rubber, a sufficiently high figure in the opinion of the directors to justify writing off to profit and loss account the sum of Tael 11,722.84 expended during the past year on the immature area.

Comparing the balance sheet before you with its immediate predecessor it will be seen that they are almost identical, such slight differences as there are being in favor of this year. Buildings having been written down to Tael 5,000 against Tael 7,000 and water supply to Tael 1,650 against Tael 2,000 while the liquid assets exceed the cash liabilities by Tael 2,716.16 against Tael 1,364.16 at the corresponding date in 1917. The net profit for the year of Tael 447.59 is a negligible sum but considering all the difficulties I think we need not be dissatisfied with our position today. Since the closing of the accounts sales of stock rubber have been made and the debit balance in Penang has been converted into a credit and with the gradual return to normal conditions we should fairly look forward to another period of prosperity.

No questions were asked and the following resolutions were passed unanimously:

That the report and accounts for the year ended September 30, 1918, as printed and circulated, be passed.

Proposed by Mr. Cubitt, seconded by Mr. Grayridge.

That Mr. G. Grayridge be re-elected a director of the company.

Proposed by Mr. Koo Tze-hoo, seconded by Mr. A. Hilde.

That Messrs. G. H. and N. Thomson be re-elected auditors to the company for the current financial year at a fee of Tael 150.—Proposed by Mr. Moller and Co. (Shanghai), Ltd., Mr. T. Shulten, director, and seconded by Mr. Foo Ching.

Matinee Concert Today

A second concert by Mr. B. Sykora, Miss Catherine Campbell and the Shanghai Glee Club will be given at 3 p.m. today in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium. The program is a complete change from that given Thursday evening and contains many delightful numbers. The same popular prices for admission will rule.

LUMBER MARKET UNCHANGED

There was no change in the lumber situation yesterday. Several conferences of dealers took place but nothing resulted. Prices were not altered and there was practically no buying. Dealers believe that the status of the smaller merchants now facing bankruptcy will not be determined for at least a week as all proposals submitted must be ratified by a majority of the lumber men.

WOODROW WILSON STREET NEW NAME IN TIENTSIN

Former Wilhelmstrasse In Ex-German Concession To Be Renamed

The former Wilhelmstrasse in the ex-German Concession is to be renamed Woodrow Wilson Street, according to the decision of the Chihli Provincial authorities, which has received the approval of the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Minister of the Interior at Peking.

The renaming of the street will take place with certain ceremonies at a date soon to be announced. The name plates, containing Woodrow Wilson Street in both English and Chinese, diagonally opposite each other, as the street passes through the circle where "Tin Willie" once stood.

The metal name plates will soon be cast and when they are in place will be covered with the Chinese and American flags, to be removed at the unveiling. The Civil Governor of Chihli will deliver an address which will be interpreted by Mr. Hwang Yung-liang, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs. Mr. Heinzelman, the American Consul-General, will reply to the Governor. It is planned to have Miss Hwang, Miss Li and Miss Hwang take part in the unveiling ceremony.

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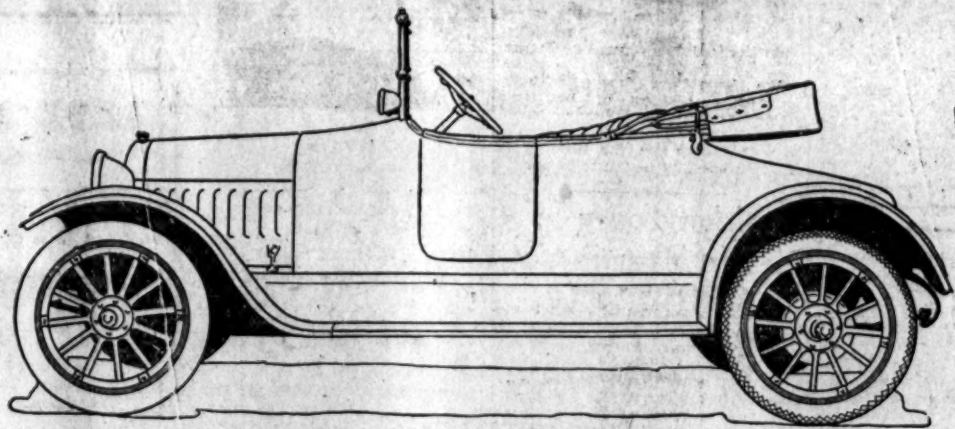
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Comforts For Siberia

WITH Christmas at hand, and while we go about buying more or less useless gifts for more or less appreciative friends, a word to behalf of the men who have responded to the call from Siberia and for the refugees who face the rigors of a Siberian winter will not be out of place. It is true that heavy demands have been made on our resources from time to time in the direction of war contributions, but we who are going to eat our Christmas dinner in peace and comfort should not forget those less fortunately placed who are doing and still have to do vastly important work in Siberia for the future peace and safety of the world.

In the matter of old clothes too, there is a heavy call. Although the Shanghai Chapter of the American Red Cross has already sent over 150 large cases of refugee garments to Siberia, there is room for still more, in view of the refugees in Siberia having been recently reinforced by the arrival of Serbians.

Eloquent pictures of conditions in Siberia have been painted from time to time by Miss Olive Gilbreath and Mr. D. K. Grady in the columns of this journal. A good idea of conditions in that part of the Far East must have been obtained by the reader from the vivid pen-picture by the first-named writer which appeared in last Sunday's issue of THE CHINA PRESS. "Whatever other foe the Allies must fight in Siberia, they are face to face with one enemy more certain of his results than the Bolshevik and more ruthless than the Germanized Red Guard. An enemy scattered along the entire route of the trans-Siberian, represented if not actually present in every train, garrisoned in every town; so mortal a foe that the Allies agree to lie down together like the lion and the lamb or, speaking more truly, to rise up and work like a machine-gun battery under fire. This enemy is the typhus spread by the death trains from European Russia."

Yet the typhus fiend is not the only foe confronting the Allies in distracted Siberia. The Allied troops have not only disease and the elements to fight, but they are face to face with a savage foe. Thus American troops and Kalmukoff's Cossacks were on the verge of battle toward the latter part of last month, according to the latest stories brought down to Vladivostok by Russians who have fled from the tyranny of the young Usuri ataman, now apparently a brigand of the worst type. In defiant disregard of a protest from the American colonel in command of the American forces in the Northern city, that political prisoners be not shot until they had been tried, eleven men from the Habarovsk jail were shot on November 18 at the order of Kalmukoff, who fled from the city after the executions.

There is no telling what developments will be brought about by the march of events. It is therefore imperative that we should guard against lulling ourselves into a false sense of security by the cessation of hostilities in Europe and the approach of the European Peace Conference. Russia, like China, will not and cannot be immediately affected by the decisions of the Peace Conference, both countries being peculiarly susceptible to local conditions. It will take some time before things

can settle down to a normal level in Russia. It is significant that whilst the Bolsheviks in Siberia are losing their men by desertion, returning Russian prisoners from Germany are being loaded with Bolshevik literature. The educative process in Russia is going to be a long and tedious business. In the meantime, it is our duty to keep a steady stream of comforts, hospital and other supplies going northward until the New Russia finally emerges from the ruins of the present.

And so, while you are buying your 20 or 30 more or less useless gifts for your more or less useless friends, you might press a point and buy a useful gift for some useful person fighting your cause or suffering because of it up in the frozen steppes of Siberia. The local branch of the American Red Cross will take care of it for you.

A Tribute To Lt. Colonel Trupit

(From yesterday's Echo de Chine)
A French mission for the recruiting of Asiatic laborers for the past three years, Lt. Colonel Trupit is now returning to France via the United States.

It is hardly necessary to recall here the services rendered by the recruiting mission, which, in spite of numerous difficulties, succeeded in sending to Europe more than 37,000 Chinese laborers. The recruiting mission was conducted at various bases, Tientsin, Hongkong, Tsingtao, Nanking, Pukow, was often fraught with difficulties which appeared insurmountable, and which could only be brought through at the cost of much patience, perseverance and energy. France had insufficient men and needed an immigration of robust, docile and diligent working men. More than any other, Chinese labor had given satisfaction to employers and it was in order to furnish the country with it that the recruiting mission used all its efforts.

In leaving China, where he has many friends, Lt. Col. Trupit has the right to say that he has known how to render real service to France. Being obliged to cease recruiting owing to want of shipping accommodation he was unable to accomplish all that he sought, but what he was able to attain was not the least useful, and at the same time that France gives due homage to his qualities as organizer and chief, the Frenchmen in China will hold a grateful memory of the man who was able, through his untiring efforts and unceasing activity, to contribute to the main result to which the efforts of the Allies were bent.

Lt. Col. Trupit takes away with him the respect of all who have known him; but more than any one, those who worked under his orders and who were his modest colleagues, will recollect for all time the kindness and good spirit which he showed them and which facilitated their often ungrateful task.

Anecdotes Of The Famous

Sydney Nicholson, recently appointed organist at Westminster Abbey, is a confirmed wanderer. This explains why he holds the record for playing in more churches and cathedrals in England and abroad than any other living organist. He started at Frankfurt, Germany, and from there drifted to Barnet, Eton and Manchester.

At the latter city he founded the popular mid-day organ recitals for working people. These proved so successful that the scheme has now been extended to the whole of the northern counties.

It is not only in the interpretation of sacred music, however, that Mr. Nicholson has proved himself. He is an organist, composer and conductor rolled into one and has written an exquisite setting to some of Rupert Brooke's poetry. The two were fast friends at Oxford, and the organist's music is an eloquent tribute to the dead poet's genius.

Lady Byng, wife of Sir John Byng, who has taken a leading part in the movement for utilizing waste ground for vegetable culture in and about the tiny Essex hamlet of Thorpe-le-Soken, where her home is, tells an amusing story concerning a little boy of six, the son of one of the villagers.

It appears that the youngster, imbued by the war spirit, pestered his father to buy him an air-gun.

"What for?" asked his dad.

"Well, if I had one I would be able to shoot all these beastly German sparrows that are flying around."

"German sparrows?" replied the boy's father. "These are just ordinary English sparrows. So far as I know there is no such thing as a German sparrow."

"These are German," insisted the boy. "Didn't I see them eating all the peas in our allotment, and if they were English they wouldn't do that."

Thinks Germany Insane

Rev. Dr. Pratt Regards The Country As An Unbalanced Moral Pervert

Insanity is unsoundness. To be sane is to be sound, mentally and morally healthy, with the mental powers in perfect balance. Mental insanity is, as a rule, the result of moral insanity, i.e., unsoundness. To be wrong morally is to be wrong mentally. One's mental activity is always an expression of his moral activity.

In his masterly work, "The Twentieth Century Practice of Medicine," consisting of twenty volumes, Dr. G. Fielding Blanford, of London, says: "The highest mental attainment which civilized man can reach is a right rule of conduct regulating the affairs of life with judgment, prudence and self-restraint; consequently any defect of mind will make itself evident first in this quarter. All competent observers of the insane are agreed that in a certain number intellectual defect is not the first symptom."

"A man may possess a perfect memory, may converse brilliantly, may argue cogently on many questions, may give signs of no delusion or hallucination, and yet be a changed man. His conduct is different from what it was formerly. He may not be immoral, and yet his morality and ethics are altered, and altered for the worse. . . . In such a man some may say they can discover no intellectual defect. But what do we mean by intellectual defect? If a man justifies or laughs at conduct which is entirely foreign to his former life? The loss of all prudence, judgment and restraint implies the degradation of his intellectual as well as of his emotional centers, and to say that his intellect is sound is to be nothing else than a quibble about words."

The Encyclopaedia Britannica, ninth edition, in an article on "Insanity," by an eminent specialist, says: "The primary symptom of all insanities is perversion of the moral sense, and this perversion is the cause of all cases of mental disease to their termination. . . . Intellectual insanity never exists without moral perversion."

This ought to be more universally self-evident. Fundamentally speaking, a man is not mentally sound when he deliberately chooses a moral wrong of any kind. He is a little "off" when he thinks evil can result in good or in happiness. His judgment has lost its vision and balance. His moral sense has become perverted and untrustworthy. Beneath the surface of his mind, of his day Jesus saw ruined morals. He traced lunacy to a moral cause. When men are alienated from the life of God their understanding is darkened. This may not be discovered to be, by the average observer, a moral perversion, but it may not be technically classed as unsoundness, but there is more insanity in the ordinary sinner than the world has come to recognize.

Sin is insanity because it is unsoundness. A sinful world can never be a normally sane world. The extent of the moral perversion is a measure of, or clue to, the mental perversion. What shall be said of the present condition of the world in the light of these scientific certainties, at least of its present condition, which has made frightfulness, fraud, cruelty and colossal lying the program of its international conduct? If an individual man is mentally unsound when he uses his intellectual faculties in the choice of deliberate moral wrong, what shall be said of the mental status of a great nation that abandons all the recognized principles of the moral law, and seeks world-dominion through ceaseless and conscienceless falsehood?

Even in its ordinary passions and sins, miseries and crimes, this world must seem to the angels of heaven a fearfully insane world. But when a great empire, in the name of science, philosophy, kultur, religion, adopts the program of hell, and for the sake of its own supremacy converts a continent into a slaughter-house and cemetery and a pandemonium of fraternal hatred, it cannot be diagnosed as less than daff, lunatic, insane, for worse insanity cannot be found in the underworld of weeping and gnashing of teeth. There is not a sane feature in the present Futonic program. The insanity may not be the kind technically defined by that word, but nothing so abnormal, so monstrous, so deranged, so lunatic can be found within asylum walls.

The doings of Germany are not the deeds of sane men, but of mad men. "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." This kind of unsoundness, insanity, has destroyed many a great empire. Babylon in its moral perversity went insane, and its vast metropolis and empire went into decay. Nineweh went insane, and Assyria was destroyed. Rome went insane, and the superb capital of the world became a pandemonium of lust and crime. In the same way the Central Empires, in their lust for dominion in their exaltation of material above moral force, in their selfish disregard of the rights of all other nations; in their advocacy of crime and cruelty and every conceivable form of iniquity as a means of conquest, have become absolutely unbalanced, mentally and morally maniac, for eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor heart conceived anything worse in the history of human crime or human derangement.

If such moral perversion, such mental choice and judgment is not insanity, there is no human perversion or unsoundness that can be classed under the mania indicated by this word. Nations, in their policies, purposes and leadership can, like individual men, become insane.—Rev. Dr. D. W. Pratt in Christian Work.

Banker Schiff Discusses War Debt Payment

In response to a request by The New York Times for a banker's opinion on effective and economical measures for retiring the nation's war debt, Jacob H. Schiff said:

"No statement can be made at this time, which by force of circumstances may not likely need revision. The country has many expenditures to meet before the actual outlay resultant from the war may be considered in a comprehensive fashion, and for this reason it is difficult to suggest a complete program of retiring the debt. The outstanding Liberty bonds aggregate about \$17,000,000,000, aside from War Savings Stamps, but of this vast total it must be borne in mind some \$7,000,000,000 represents loans made by the United States to the Allied nations, and the liquidation of this indebtedness will be completed in due course by the borrowers."

"It is quite possible that further loans and credits will need to be made to some of these nations. Because of the factors in respect to future loans which may not yet be calculated, it is necessary that one treat in rather general terms of the probable net war debt which the United States will have when the details of peace are completed."

"Assuming that the issue of \$10,000,000,000 additional Government bonds proves necessary for the liquidation of the war and for further advances to some of the Allies, and needs for reconstruction purposes, there will be outstanding nearly \$27,000,000,000 of the war bonds when a program for retiring the various issues is put into operation. Figuring upon a final total of the Allied indebtedness to us as from \$7,000,000,000 to \$10,000,000,000, and deducting this self-liquidating debt of, say, about \$7,000,000,000, there would remain some \$20,000,000,000 to be finally retired through taxation."

"The suggestion that has already been variously made for the establishment of a sinking fund of 5 percent of outstanding war bonds appears to me to involve too heavy a burden upon industry and the incomes of the people, at least during the first few years after peace comes. I believe that some sort of sinking fund should be instituted. There is no reason why this should eventually not be done, although a sinking fund for so vast an amount of bonds must be handled in a way which would not increase taxation unduly in the years when the nation is readjusting itself to peace conditions."

"A sinking fund of 5 percent would retire the estimated \$20,000,000,000 in twenty years. The annual retirement for this would amount to \$1,000,000,000. In view of the fact, however, that the ordinary expenditure of the Government before the war was about \$1,000,000,000 per year, and will probably be considerably higher for some time after the war, an effort to maintain so large a sinking fund would, perforce, necessitate a wide use of the taxing power of the Government, and in this lies danger of."

An Influenza Vaccine; Army Figures

(New York Times, November 10)
A vaccine prepared as a preventive of pneumonia by the Rockefeller Institute at the request of the Surgeon General of the army was recently administered to 12,000 volunteers at one of the camps at a time when pneumonia (not including the influenza type) was more prevalent than usual. These men were to go overseas in ten weeks. During that period they were all immune. Now, the ordinary types of pneumonia have caused more deaths in the army in the last two years than any other disease. As the inoculation of the 12,000 soldiers who placed themselves at the disposal of the surgeons for the test proved to be completely successful, the new vaccine takes its place by the side of the prophylactic which has conquered typhoid in the ranks of the army. Typhoid formerly led the death list. The army surgeons now defy it.

In the case of pneumonia, it should be understood that the vaccine is not to be used to effect a cure. It is administered to men in good health to save them from the disease. The bacteriologists both here and abroad disagree about the germ of influenza, its identification, and its action in the development of pneumonia. They might be inclined to doubt whether the new vaccine would have any value at all as a preventive of the type of pneumonia occurring in influenza.

It would be gratifying, in considering the health of the army at home and overseas, to exclude influenza. The medical profession is not yet familiar with it. With influenza out of the reckoning, it could be said that the army was never physically so fit in a period of war that can at least be said of the army in France. The report of the Sur-

geon General for the week ending October 29 gives the malaria rate in the home forces as 1.51 per thousand; in the army in France as only 0.62. The dysentery rate was 0.44 in the home camps; in France, 3.97. The higher rate in the war zone was to be expected, but it is the reverse of alarming. In the old campaigns dysentery was a great scourge. The typhoid rate at home was 0.13 for the week, and in the American Expeditionary Forces only 0.03, which is a very striking. Measles, which happily is not a dreaded disease, furnished by far the highest rates: 28.54 per thousand among the troops in the United States, 6.14 in France. There was very little scarlet fever; the rates respectively were 0.57 and 0.63.

Between September 12 and October 29 there had been 310,429 cases of influenza in the home forces. No less than 50,770 of these cases had developed into pneumonia. Unfortunately, the great improvement made in medical science since the war with Spain does not avail to conquer the new scourge. All other diseases are now controlled; some of them have become negligible. It is influenza that makes the death rate in the army at home high. We know that if the disease could have been kept out of the country our camps and cantonments would have shown a remarkable bill of health, one without a parallel.

In the Spanish war 80 officers and 2,485 men died of disease, most of them in the home training camps, as compared with 33 officers and 257 men killed in action. It appears that if the influenza had not invaded the country there would be so probability that diseases, as in the Spanish war, would take a greater toll of our soldiers than the enemy has done in battle.

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Only The Inspired Are Great Poets

The primitive notion that the poet is the instrument of a Divine Voice is not so absurd as it seems to persons infected by the prosaic criticism of a scientific age. Shelley, himself, an avowed atheist—who was, however, an unconscious believer in an Infinite power greater than any human force—said that "poetry redeems from decay the visitations of the Divinity in man." And this is true, however dithyrambically it is expressed. The poet who is not "carried away" by what seems like divine or demonic possession is no genuine poet.

It is, of course, possible to trace the beginning of poetry back to the dance and song of a savage tribe. The sense of rhythm may have animated the cave man. His wild love probably took a rhythmic form. The lover in every age has, like the poet, found appropriate utterance in song. Without feeling, without passion, poetry cannot exist. Homer, although his epics are wonderful tales, gives us a vivid conception of the emotions of his heroes. Achilles is not merely brave—he is fierce in his love and fierce in his anger. Hector, a more domestic hero, is not less susceptible than Achilles, to the influence of woman. Even the gods in the Homeric poems are often incapable of conquering their passions.

Pindar is the vehicle of tremendous emotions. His fiery odes are true inspirations. Sappho bugged with consuming fire by whose intensity she perished. The Roman poets showed their inferiority in their lack of emotion. Vergil, with all his stately harmony, never felt deeply. Horace was only a well-bred man of the world who made verses. Lucretius was Greek in his philosophy. He denies Nature and thus finds a fresh fountain of emotion even in a ruthless creed. Religion was too stereotyped in the Middle Ages to be truly emotional. But Dante in his "Divine Comedy" infused faith with imagination so beautifully that even the terror of hell has the effect on his readers' minds of a powerful stimulant. Heaven, too, becomes in his hands an irresistible opiate—we gaze on the beatific vision in rapt wonder, and instead of filling us with a sense of peace it arouses in us a sort of delirious joy. Petrarch's sonnets are minute embodiments of intense emotion. A man who loves one woman all his life and still reverences her as a saint must have been himself a flame of concentrated feeling. For nearly six hundred years the very name of Laura has signified "the Well Beloved."

Shakespeare was probably the last great singer of the noble comedy with whom inspiration was a reality and not a mere word. His dramas may impress the pedantic critic as the product of reason. But on the contrary, his genius was essentially emotional, and Milton—although there was in himself little that can be called instinctive or spontaneous—correctly grasped the facts when he wrote the lines: Or sweetest Shakespeare, Fancy's child, Warble his native woodnotes wild. The decay of the poetic impulse is distinctly observable in Dryden. Even

that fine ode, "Alexander's Feast," is, as a whole, tamely prosaic, in spite of some ravishing passages. Its opening stanzas are only rhymed prose: "Twas at the royal feast for Persia won By Philip's warlike son; Aloft in awful state The godlike hero sat On his imperial throne. Any of the Kaiser's rhymes can do as well—in German. It is only when the poet sings "the praise of Bacchus" what Dryden becomes "possessed."

The revival of natural feeling in poetry was due to Wordsworth and Coleridge. Of course, both Burns and Cowper foreshadowed it. But the publication of the "Lyrical Ballads" was the authentic dawn of a new era in English literature. Neither Byron nor Shelley directly helped in this great movement. Keats was a lovely echo of the antique—Homer and Spenser inspiring him. The impetus which Wordsworth gave to poetry was continued by Browning and by Arnold. Tennyson and Swinburne, in spite of their lyric gifts were reactionary. Clough and William Watson were true children of Wordsworth.

In American poetry I find the spontaneous note in Poe and in Eugene Field—but certainly not in Longfellow or in Whittier. In Lowell's "Biglow Papers" there is spontaneity, but not in anything else he has written. Our "imagists" are marvellous devoid of all inspiration. Walt Whitman had in him a spark of the "divine afflatus." But he could not kindle it. He had no more Prometheus fire or sense of rhythm than a camel or an elephant. Mr. Kipling has his vulgar bonfire, but poor Whitman's rhetorical fogots were too damp, and the "Leaves of Grass" went out in smoke. The spark shows here and there, as in some of the "Drum Taps," in the Lincoln poem, and in "Pointers, O Pointers!" But most of his work is like the war whoops of savages. He is indeed too "elemental" to be called an artist.

There must be in the universe a harmony independent of art. The poet must catch this harmony to be

able to sing at all. His soul must, so to speak, be flooded with emotion. In giving to "airy nothing a local habitation and a name" he incarnates in abiding verse his vision, which all men know to be theirs, too, when they see it through the instrumentality of poetry.

When such a vision obseems the poet he no longer reasons—he is the passive slave of that transcendent faculty, imagination—he seems to ordinary men to be insane. In a sense he is—but he is simply compensated for it by beholding

The light that never was on land or sea.

Can we wonder that nearly all great poets are accused of lawlessness, eccentricity, unconventionality? The poet breaks with the past. His dream first antagonizes the world and then wins its love and devotion. Shakespeare commands men's souls today far more than he did when he was living or in the age of Charles II, more than half a century after his death. He will be a greater spiritual force in days to come because of his universal appeal to all humanity.

Today poetry may be said to have reached the lowest deep. Even the great war has not as yet created one exceptional poet. Science, which has mechanized man and mechanized war, must be shown its futility, and the struggle of civilization against barbarism is in itself a mighty epic. Who shall sing it? The emotion is there already. In what unknown soul will the dream be born?

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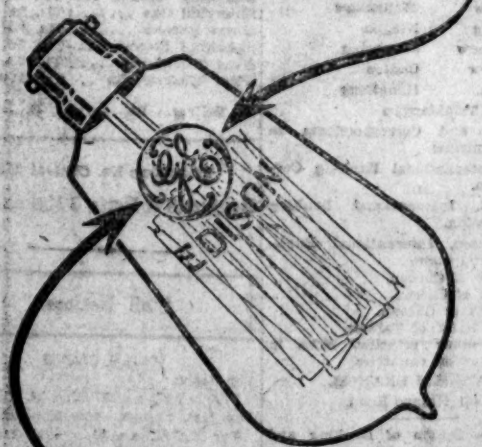
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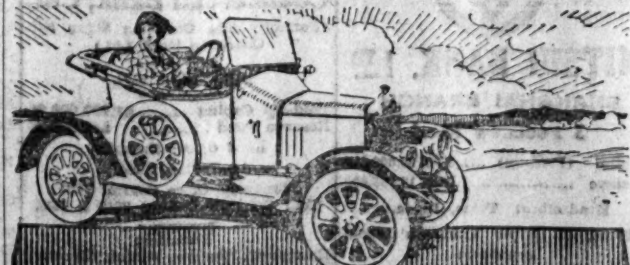
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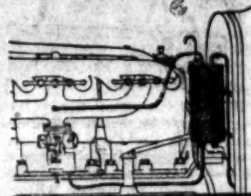
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H. VON HEIDENSTAM,
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Shanghai, 19th December, 1918.

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FRITHJOF HOEHNKE,
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Offices of the Agents, Messrs. J. P.
Bisset and Co., No. 1 The Bund
(First Floor) on Monday, 23rd
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
As the alteration of our Statutes
in accordance with the Resolutions
passed at our last General Meeting
has been sanctioned by the Govern-
ment of the Netherlands Indies, the
New Companies have now to be re-
gistered here and it is anticipated
that the scrip will be ready early in
January. These Companies will be
registered as The Shanghai Loan
and Investment Company, Limited,
and The Shanghai Exploration and
Development Company, Limited.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from the 24th to
31st December, both days inclusive,
and the scrip in the New Companies
will be issued to those Shareholders
on the Register on that date in ac-
cordance with the Resolutions.

By Order of the Directors,
GEORGE McBAIN,
Gen. ral Agents.
Shanghai, 22nd November, 1918.

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